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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 8th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Roberto Flores Facussé, President of the Republic of Honduras
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Luis Angel González Macchi, President of the Republic of Paraguay
3. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Vaira Vike-Freiberga, President of the Republic of Latvia
4. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Germany

   China

   Italy

   San Marino

3 p.m. 9th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ismail Omar Guelleh, President of the Republic of Djibouti

(continued overleaf)

Announcement

A ministerial meeting of the Security Council will be held on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 9.30 a.m. in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the question of small arms.

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Miguel Angel Rodríguez Echeverría, President of the Republic of Costa Rica

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jules Albert Wijdenbosch, President of the Republic of Suriname

4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leo Albert Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia

5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia

6. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Honourable Denzil Douglas, Prime Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis

   Pakistan

   Greece

   Denmark

   India

   Turkmenistan

   Czech Republic

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/20special/ga54/IndexE.htm

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ON THE REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR THE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES
(*27 and 28 September 1999*)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) in the debate on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is now available at the General Assembly Servicing Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-3001G). The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Election of officers
2. Organization of work (A/C.4/54/1, A/C.4/54/L.1)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor
2. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): UNIKOM
3. Report of the Secretary-General on the findings, observations and recommendations contained in the report made by the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the procurement process in the UNAVEM III
4. Gratis personnel provided by Governments

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAMME AND OPERATIONAL QUESTIONS (CCPOQ)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), *today*, 22 September 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in *Conference Room 7*.

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held until Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 22 September 1999

GROUP OF 77
(draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea and review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

GROUP OF 77
(Eleventh Annual Senior Officials Meeting)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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There will be an informal open-ended meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement with the Group of 77 and China (Joint Coordinating Committee) *today*, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with China *today*, 22 September 1999, from 9.45 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with the Gulf Co-operation Council (GCC) *today*, 22 September 1999, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting of the Rio Group with the Tuxtla Mechanism *today*, 22 September 1999, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Informal consultations

In connection with the special session of the General Assembly for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, the informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea will continue *today*, 22 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Briefing

The Permanent Mission of Cuba will hold a briefing for interested delegations and representatives of non-governmental organizations from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 3*, *today*, 22 September 1999, on "A Cuban Perspective from the Views of Cuban Religious Organizations".

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Informal meeting

There will be closed meeting of the United Nations Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) police contributors *today*, 22 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 10th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Rexhep Meidani, President of the Republic of Albania

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus

3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

4. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Monaco

   Canada

   Egypt

   Palestine, address by His Excellency Mr. Yasser Arafat

3 p.m. 11th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister of Lesotho

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Salim El-Hoss, Prime Minister of Lebanon

   Luxembourg

   Kuwait

   Uruguay

   Sri Lanka

   Mexico

   Indonesia

   Turkey

   Romania

   The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

The 2nd meeting of the First Committee will be held on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider the organization of work.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/54/L.1*.

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* To be issued.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for ***all items*** allocated to the Third Committee is open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with document A/C.3/54/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m., with agenda item 106 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: (212) 963-4248; telefax: (212) 963-5935).

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SIXTH COMMITTEE

The Sixth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, for the purpose of electing its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its organization of work (A/C.6/54/L.1)*. Following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting, a Working Group of the Sixth Committee, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 51/210 of 17 December 1996, will hold its first meeting in Conference Room 4.

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* To be issued.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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United Nations Development Programme

There will be informal consultations with members of the United Nations Development Programme on the *Human Development Report 2000* on Friday, 24 September 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea and review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States*) on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-third Annual Ministerial Meeting at Headquarters on Friday, 24 September 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of Delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 23 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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Informal consultations

In connection with the special session of the General Assembly for the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, the informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea will continue on Friday, 24 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference D.

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Briefings

The Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, will hold an informal briefing for all interested States on matters pertaining to the forthcoming Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) (in terms of Article XIV, paragraph 2, of that Treaty) on Thursday, 23 September 1999, at 3.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights invites all interested delegations to a briefing on "Human Rights of Children in Armed Conflict" by Ambassador Cathryn von Heidenstam, Chairperson of the Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights on a Draft Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child. The briefing will take place on Thursday, 23 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in room S-2963D.

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The Regional Representative of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), Mr. Michael Platzer, will brief permanent missions on current efforts to implement the Barbados Plan of Action on Drug Control. The briefing will be held on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E, and will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Informal meeting

There will be an ad hoc expert group meeting on "Economic Governance within the Context of Globalization: Conceptual and Policy Issues", organized by the Division for Public Economics and Public Administration of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, from 27 to 29 September 1999 in conference room 1240 (DC1 Building). The meeting will begin on Monday, 27 September, at 10 a.m. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. S. Ran Kim (tel.: (212) 963-8391).

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU) are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday , 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 23 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.:(212) 963-9684).

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The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations, originally scheduled to be held from 27 to 29 September, will now take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The new registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Special meeting

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's Special Representative to the United Nations, will hold a debriefing following the September 1999 Interim Committee meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The meeting will be conducted in English on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 30 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4047th meeting

The situation in Africa

Briefing by His Excellency Mr. Frederick J. T. Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council heard a briefing by His Excellency Mr. Frederick J. T. Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia.

Statements were made by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain, by the representatives of Canada, France, the United Kingdom and China, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Gabon, by the representatives of Argentina, the United States, the Gambia, Malaysia, Slovenia and Brazil, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Netherlands.

The President of the Republic of Zambia provided clarifications in response to the comments and questions by members of the Council.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-fourth session

6th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Alberto Fujimori, President of the Republic of Peru

H.E. Mr. Alberto Fujimori, President of the Republic of Peru, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America

H.E. Mr. William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States of America, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe

H.E. Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Alvaro Arzú Irigoyen, President of the Republic of Guatemala

H.E. Mr. Alvaro Arzú Irigoyen, President of the Republic of Guatemala, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Igor Ivanov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; H.E. Mr. James Victor Gbeho, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ghana and H.E. Ms. Tarja Kaarina Halonen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland (on behalf of the European Union).

7th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 7th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/182).

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE 2nd meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Election of officers

The Committee elected by acclamation Mrs. Kirsten Geelan (Denmark), Ms. Mónica Martínez (Ecuador) and Ms. Amina Mesdoua (Algeria) as Vice-Chairpersons and Mr. Naif Bin Bandar Al-Sudairy (Saudi Arabia) as Rapporteur of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman drew the Committee's attention to the relevant recommendations contained in document A/54/250, as well as the proposed organization of work (document A/C.3/54/L.1) and the status of documentation before the Committee (document A/C.3/54/L.1/Add.1).

Following a suspension of the meeting, the Committee approved its programme of work for the session, as contained in document A/C.3/54/L.1.

The Committee agreed to set the following time limits for statements in the general discussion: 7 minutes for statements by individual delegations and 15 minutes for spokespersons of groups of delegations. It was also agreed that this time limit would apply to the Secretariat.

The Committee's attention was drawn to the provisions of General Assembly decision 34/401 regarding interventions in exercise of the right of reply and points of order.

Delegations were informed that the list of speakers for all items would open on Wednesday, 22 September, and that they should inscribe at the earliest possible date with the Secretary of the Committee.

The Committee decided to extend invitations to a number of Special Rapporteurs and Representatives to present their reports to the Committee at the present session under agenda item 116 (c).

FIFTH COMMITTEE 2nd meeting

The Chairman, H.E. Ms. Penny A. Wensley (Australia), declared open the meeting.

Election of the Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Ahmed H. Darwish (Egypt), Mr. Amjad Hussain B. Sial (Pakistan) and Ms. Judith Maria Cardoze (Panama) Vice-Chairmen of the Committee.

The Committee also elected, by acclamation, Mr. Jan Jaremczuk (Poland), Rapporteur of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to a letter from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/54/1) on the allocation of items of the agenda of the General Assembly to the Fifth Committee. The Chairman reiterated the relevant provisions regarding organizational aspects recommended by the General Assembly as contained in document A/54/250. The Chairman further drew the attention of the Committee to a note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (A/C.5/54/L.1) and to a draft programme of work for the session.

Statements concerning the status of preparedness of documentation and on the draft programme of work were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Canada (on behalf of New Zealand, Australia and Canada).

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to a question posed.

The Chairman took note of the comments made by delegations and announced that the programme of work of the Fifth Committee would be issued as document A/C.5/54/L.2 for the approval of the Committee at its next meeting on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m.

The Chairman made a statement.

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OUTCOME OF THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND FURTHER INITIATIVES
Resumed first session 14th meeting

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

Draft decisions A/AC.253/L.12 and L.13

The Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Asadi (Islamic Republic of Iran), introduced the draft decisions, which he had submitted on the basis of informal consultations.

The Preparatory Committee adopted draft decision A/AC.253/L.12.

The Preparatory Committee also recommended draft decision A/AC.253/L.13 for adoption by the General Assembly.

The Chairman declared closed the resumed first session of the Preparatory Committee.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 1999

560th and 561st meetings

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of Venezuela (CRC/C/3/Add.54 and Add.59).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

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